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IN THE COURT OF APPEAL OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

SECOND APPELLATE DISTRICT

DIVISION SIX

In re J.L., a Person Coming
Under the Juvenile Court Law.

2d Juv. No. B275733
(Super. Ct. No. 1435431)
(Santa Barbara County)

THE PEOPLE,

Plaintiff and Respondent,

v.

J.L.,

Defendant and Appellant.

J.L. appeals from (1) an order sustaining a juvenile wardship petition that alleged two counts of violating Penal Code section 288, subdivision (a), felony lewd and lascivious acts on a person aged 14 years or under; and (2) an order declaring him a ward of the court under Welfare and Institutions Code section 602.

We appointed counsel to represent J.L. in this appeal. After counsel's examination of the record, he filed an opening brief in which no issues were raised.

On October 4, 2016, we advised J.L. that he had 30 days within which to personally submit any contentions or issues he wished us to consider. We have received no response.

N.M. was a 12-year-old seventh grader when she testified at trial. She described numerous incidents of sexual touching by J.L. She described J.L. "grinding" the back of her body with the front of this body "for a couple of minutes." She said he reached under her shirt and bra to grope her breast on another occasion. Another time, he kissed her and moved her hand to touch his penis.

A friend of N.M. said that N.M. complained that J.L. "was continuously grabbing her butt." He also said N.M. told him that J.L. "was sexually harassing her, masturbated while she was there."

N.M.'s school counselor described a 30-minute meeting with N.M., in which N.M. told her about J.L.'s conduct. N.M. was quiet, solemn, withdrawn and sad. The counselor called the police department to make a report.

J.L. denied ever sexually touching N.M.

At the conclusion of trial, the juvenile court found the allegations of the two counts in the petition "true beyond a reasonable doubt." J.L. was declared a ward of the court and ordered to serve six days with credit for time served of six days. The court also imposed other terms and conditions. J.L. timely appealed.

We have reviewed the entire record and are satisfied that J.L.'s attorney has fully complied with his responsibilities

and that no arguable issues exist. (*People v. Wende* (1979) 25 Cal.3d 436, 443; *In re Kevin S.* (2003) 113 Cal.App.4th 97 [applying *Wende* procedures to juvenile proceedings].)

The orders are affirmed.

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TANGEMAN, J.

We concur:

GILBERT, P. J.

YEGAN, J.

Arthur A. Garcia, Judge

Superior Court County of Santa Barbara

Will Tomlinson, under appointment by the Court of
Appeal, for Defendant and Appellant.

No appearance for Plaintiff and Respondent.